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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: :  
Satoshi MURAMATSU, et al. : EXAMINER:  
SERIAL NO: New Continuation Appln. :  
FILED: Herewith : GROUP ART UNIT:  
FOR: DEVELOPER CONTAINER :  
FOR AN IMAGE FORMING  
APPARATUS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Prior to consideration of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.